
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title:	PROSTHETIC SPINAL DISC NUCLEUS WITH ELEVATED SWELLING RATE	Group Art Unit: 3738

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated December 11, 2006. In response thereto, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.